GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

EFS&T Department - Diversion of 0.40 Ha of forest land in Kondaveedu R.F. of Guntur Division for providing approach road and construction of steps from foot hill to the Kondaveedu Fort, Edlapadu Mandal, Guntur District, in favour of Superintending Engineer, PR Circle, Guntur- Permission accorded - Orders - Issued.

ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (Section-II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 77 **Dated: 25-07-2018**
Read the following:-

1. From PCCF & HoFF, AP, Lr Rc No.35807/2011-F3, Dt. 01-05-2012.
2. State Govt. Letter No.3145/FOR.I (1)/2012, dated: 18-05-2012.
3. From GoI, MoEF, Lr.No.4-APB885/2012-BAN/2634, dated:10-01-2013.
4. State Govt. Letter No.3145/Section-II/2012, dated.13-06-2018.
5. From GoI, MoEF, Lr.No.4-APB885/2012-BAN/0977, dated.26-06-2018.

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ORDER:

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, Andhra Pradesh in his letter 1st read above, had submitted a proposal under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, for diversion o f 0.40 Ha of forest land in Kondaveedu R.F. of Guntur Division for providing approach road and construction of steps from foot hill to the Kondaveedu Fort, Edlapadu Mandal, Guntur District, in favour of Superintending Engineer, PR Circle, Guntur and requested to forward the same to Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests, & Climate Change, for according necessary approval under Section-2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

2. The said proposal was sent to Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests, & Climate Change, for their approval under Section-2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 vide State Government letter 2nd read above.

3. Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests, & Climate Change, vide their letter 3rd read above, have accorded in-principle (Stage-I) approval under Section-2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, for the project, for a period of 20 years, subject to compliance of certain conditions as stipulated therein.

4. Accordingly, the State Government vide letter 4th read above, have furnished the compliance report on the conditions stipulated by the Government of India Ministry of Environment, Forests, & Climate Change, while according in-principle **(Stage-I)** approval.

5. Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests, & Climate Change in their letter 5th read above, have accorded (Stage-II) approval under Section- 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, for diversion of 0.40 Ha of forest land in Kondaveedu R.F. of Guntur Division for providing approach road and construction of steps from foot hill to the Kondaveedu Fort, Edlapadu Mandal, Guntur District, in favour of Superintending Engineer, PR Circle, Guntur, for a period of 20 years, subject to certain conditions as stipulated therein.

6. Government after careful examination of the proposal, hereby accord permission to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, Andhra Pradesh for diversion of 0.40 Ha of forest land in Kondaveedu R.F. of Guntur Division for providing approach road and construction of steps from foot hill to the Kondaveedu Fort, Edlapadu Mandal, Guntur District, in favour of Superintending Engineer, PR Circle, Guntur, for a period of 20 years, subject to the following conditions:-

i. Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged.

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ii. The State Forest Department shall plant 10 times the number of trees proposed to be felled in the diverted forest area and their maintenance, in nearby degraded forest land, from the amount which has already been realized from the user agency. CA scheme and map with DGPS co-ordinates of the degraded forest land to be identified for plantation shall be furnished to this office. State Forest Department shall ensure that no amount realized for compensatory afforestation is left unspent;

iii. Additional amount of the Net Present Value (NPV) of the diverted forest land if any, becoming due after revision of the same by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in future, shall be charged by the State Government from the User Agency.

iv. The forest land proposed for diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred / sublet to any other agency, department or person without the prior approval of the Central Government.

v. The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.

vi. User agency shall ensure that no disturbance is caused to the nearby forest flora & fauna by the visitors;

vii. The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.40 and the forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than shown in the diversion proposal;

viii. Any other conditions that the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Central), Regional Office, Chennai may impose from time to time in the interest of afforestation, conservation and management of flora and fauna in the area, shall be complied by the user agency.

ix. In the event of failure to comply with any of the above conditions the user agency is liable for penal action as decided by the Additional PCCF (Central), Regional Office, Chennai.

7. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, Andhra Pradesh, shall take further necessary action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

G.ANANTHA RAMU
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force,
Andhra Pradesh, Guntur.

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Government of India, Ministry of Environment & Forests,
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The Superintending Engineer, PR Circle, Guntur

P.S to Hon'ble Minister (EFS&T)

P.S to Principal Secretary to Government, EFS&T Dept.,

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SECTION OFFICER